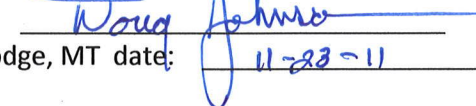


23 November, 2011

TO: Ted Dodge, Executive Director  
Watershed Restoration Coalition of the Upper Clark Fork  
1002 Hollenback Rd.  
Deer Lodge, MT 59807

FROM: Doug Johnson, Landowner   
Cottonwood Creek, Deer Lodge, MT date: 11-23-11

RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR COTTONWOOD CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT

I am a landowner with property along Cottonwood Creek, in Powell County, just upstream of the City of Deer Lodge. I am interested in supporting improvements to fisheries habitat and stream channel stability on Cottonwood Creek.

The Cottonwood Creek Habitat and Fish Passage Restoration Project led by Watershed Restoration Coalition and the Deer Lodge Valley CD has designed stream bank, channel and riparian habitat improvements on my property which will improve conditions on the creek. I have discussed and examined those designs, and I strongly support the installation of these improvements.

I have been involved in planning this project on my property for over one year, including participating in several field trips to inspect stream channel projects on nearby properties in Powell County. I am committed to supporting this project through my own in-kind labor and equipment, and will use electric fencing to carefully manage any future grazing impacts to the stream corridor improvements. I will grant permission for access, coordinate with technicians on appropriate designs, and provide all other support as appropriate within my means.

Thank you.